



CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES
JERUSALEM

IMMIGRANT VISA UNIT

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CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

Each applicant (including children) must submit original documents with *an original **certified translation of any document*** that is not in English, Arabic or Hebrew. You should also provide a PHOTOCOPY of each original document that you submit. If you fail to bring a copy of each original document on the day of your interview, you will be charged an extra fee for each copy based on the Department of State schedule of Fees: (http://travel.state.gov/visa/types_1263.html#perm).

For additional instructions, please refer to the VISA INSTRUCTIONS AND CHECKLIST FOR IMMIGRANT VISA APPLICANTS document that was previously provided when the petition was filed.

You will need to provide the following on the day of the interview for each applicant:

- ☐ Your appointment letter
- ☐ Your passport valid for at least eight months (please bring passports from other countries and expired passports)
- ☐ Two identical photos which complies with our strict photo guidelines: (see http://jerusalem.usconsulate.gov/photo_requirements.html)
- ☐ Birth certificate
- ☐ Birth certificates of all unmarried children who will not immigrate with you at this time.
- ☐ Certificate of name change (if applicable)
- ☐ Marriage certificates for current and all prior marriages for both the petitioner and primary applicant (if applicable)
- ☐ Divorce certificates for all prior marriages for both the petitioner and the primary applicant (if applicable)
- ☐ Death certificate (if applicable)
- ☐ Military record (if applicable)
- ☐ Court and prison records (if applicable)
- ☐ Police certificates from your current country of residence and country of nationality if you resided in either for more than six months after the age of 16. You must also provide a police certificate from all countries where you have resided for over a year after the age of 16. All Palestinian ID holders living in the West Bank must obtain a Non-Conviction Certificate from Palestinian Ministry of Justice AND a Criminal Register Certificate from the Israeli DCO (Civil Liaison Office) in the place of their residence. You should apply for the Criminal Register Certificate at least four weeks before your interview. The Israeli Criminal Register Certificate will be sent to the U.S. Consulate directly by the Israeli National Police.

- ❑ Medical Exams conducted by a Consulate Panel Physician. If at all possible, your medical exam should be completed three weeks prior to your scheduled interview.
- ❑ Affidavit of Support (from the correct category below)
 - For most Immigrant Visa categories, each petitioner MUST provide an original, signed Form I-864 for each beneficiary along with a copy of his or her current tax returns (Forms 1040 and W-2). In some cases, a petitioner can file an I-864EZ (rather than an I-864) for a beneficiary – please see for full details and requirements (<http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/i-864ez.pdf>). If the petitioner did not file taxes last year, the petitioner should provide an original signed and dated “no tax letter” explaining why he or she did not pay taxes last year (i.e. no earned income).
 - Often the petitioner will not meet the minimum poverty guidelines (<http://www.uscis.gov/files/form/i-864p.pdf>). In such cases the sponsorship requirements can be met by a “Joint Sponsor” who submits an originally signed Form I-864, plus proof of status (e.g., copy of U.S. passport, birth certificate, naturalization certificate, green card etc.) and copy of current tax returns (Forms 1040 and W-2). If the Joint Sponsor files taxes with his or her spouse, we will also need an original signed Form I-864A from the household member unless the sponsor can prove that he or she earned all the income necessary to meet the support guidelines.
 - When filing for children under the age of 18 (IR-2 or CR-2 cases), we simply need an originally signed copy of the I-864W, Intending Immigrant's Affidavit of Support Exemption Form.
 - For DV, E, K, and SB1 applicants, an I-134 from a sponsor with latest-year 1040, W2 and proof of U.S. citizenship or LPR status
- ❑ Proof of petitioner's domicile in the U.S.
- ❑ High school diploma and /or evidence of work experience (Diversity Visa (DV) only)
- ❑ Immigrant Visa Fees:
 - The Visa fee for all immediate and preference cases is \$325 U.S. Dollars, or in Israeli Shekels at the current Consulate established exchange rate. In many cases this fee has been paid by the petitioner in the United States. If the fee was not paid in the U.S, you must pay the fee on the day of the interview with the Consular cashier before you will be interviewed by a consular officer. This fee is in addition to the fee required to file the I-130 petition.
 - Diversity Visa (DV) applicants Visa fee must pay \$330 for each individual included in the case.
 - Employment Visa application Visa fee is \$345 for each individual included in the case.
 - SB and WI, special immigrant cases, the visa applications fee is \$205.
 - All fees are non-refundable. Payment can only be made in cash. No personal checks will be accepted. Fees are subject to change based upon the current Department of State Schedule of Fees: http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp/types/types_1263.html#perm.

APPOINTMENT LETTER FOR IMMIGRANT VISA APPLICANTS

An appointment has been scheduled for you to come to this office on the date specified in the attached letter. All members of your family immigrating with you must appear with you on the above appointment date. If you CANNOT COME TO THE APPOINTMENT, please notify us immediately at jerusalemivquiries@state.gov.

If you have not already done so, you should complete the online DS-260 Online Immigrant Visa Electronic Application. Please visit the following website to complete the DS-260 <https://ceac.state.gov/IV/Login.aspx>. After completing the form, please print a copy of the confirmation page (with barcode) to bring to your interview. You must complete DS-260 Online Immigrant Visa Electronic Application for each member of your family who plans to immigrate with you.

All intending immigrants, regardless of age, are required to undergo medical examinations. Completed instructions for these examinations are contained in the attached instruction sheet.

PHOTOGRAPHS: You will need two identical photographs 2 inches by 2 inches (~50x50mm) in size with a white background taken within the last six months. The photographs should be taken with the applicant directly facing the camera. Head coverings are permitted; however, the photographs must clearly show the face of the applicant from the crown of the head (hairline) to the tip of the chin and from ear to ear. It is preferable to have the ear exposed. All photographs must comply with our strict requirements. For more details see: http://jerusalem.usconsulate.gov/photo_requirements.html.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS FOR VISA APPLICANTS

U.S. visa regulations require that all immigrant and refugee applicants undergo a medical examination prior to the interview appointment date. Medical exams must be performed by a designated panel physician (complete list available below). These physicians have been approved by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and as such, they are the only doctors authorized to complete the required medical exam required for immigration or refugee processing.

The panel physician will complete several forms, including Form DS-2054, *Medical Examination for Immigrant or Refugee Applicant*, Form DS-3026, *Medical History and Physical Examination Worksheet*, and Form DS-3025, *Vaccination Documentation Worksheet*. In addition, all applicants over the age of 15 will be required to have a chest x-ray (Form DS-3030, *Chest X-Ray and Classification Worksheet*) and blood tests as part of their medical examination. If you have specific questions or concerns about the required medical examination, please contact the panel physicians directly.

PLEASE NOTE: The medical exam results in immigrant visa cases are valid for up to 6 months if there is no suspicion of tuberculosis. The expiration date of an immigrant visa is limited according to the medical exam validity. Because of the time involved in processing immigrant visa cases, if applicants wish to avoid the delays and costs associated with having to renew part or the entire medical exam, they must come prepared to their interviews with all required documents.

As of January 1, 2015, following are the Fees Associated with Medical Exams

-Cost of medical examination (administration & review of immunization history)	NIS 420.- NIS 680.-*
-Cost of blood serology test	NIS 100.- NIS 200.-*
-Cost of chest x-ray (required for all applicants over 15 years of age)	NIS 110.- NIS 240.-*

Fees include value added tax (VAT).

*All fees noted above as well as costs of any **additional examination** and **vaccinations** which the doctor **deems medically** necessary are the sole responsibility of the individual applicant. Doctors' names marked with an asterisk (*) below are authorized to charge the higher rates marked (*) above, based on prevailing local rates.*

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Each visa applicant **must** bring to the panel physician copies of his or her medical history, immunization records and prior chest x-rays.

Each visa applicant **must** identify himself/herself to the examining physician and to the radiologist by presentation of his/her passport, identity card, laissez-passer or travel document. The doctor and radiologist must then sign the following statement:

On _____ I examined _____,
(Date) (Name of applicant)

who presented passport, identity card, laissez-passer or travel document No. _____ for identification.

(Signature of Doctor)

After seeing the above mentioned identity document, I x-rayed the above applicant on _____
Date

(Signature of Radiologist)

The report of medical examination will not be accepted unless the above statement is signed by the doctor and radiologist.

The visa applicant MUST present the following to the Immigrant Visa Unit:

- 1. this signed statement of the doctor and radiologist, and**
- 2. the required medical examination Forms DS- 2054, DS- 3030, DS-3026 & DS-3025 (in duplicate) completed and signed by the panel physician, and**
- 3. the X-Ray CD-ROM.**

PANEL OF DOCTORS AUTHORIZED FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATION

JERUSALEM:

*Dr. Jonty Maresky**
Family Medical Center
9 Diskin Street, Jerusalem
Tel: 02-5610297

Sunday to Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon
(an appointment is required)

BETHLEHEM:

Dr. Robert Tabash
P. O. Box 144
19 Salesian Street
Bethlehem
Tel: 02-2742882 & 02-2743593
Cellular: 0599 250 053

Monday to Friday
Morning Hours: 09:00 am to 12:30 am
Afternoon Hours: 03:00 pm to 06:00 pm
(an appointment is required)

RAMALLAH:

Dr. Fahed Khalaf
Opposite Rukab Building – (Box 53)
Mahfal Street, Ramallah
Tel: 02-2953347 or 02-2957786 (0599 841 138)

Everyday, 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
(without appointment)
4:00 to 6:00 p.m. (with appointment)

GAZA:

Dr. Faisal Abu Shahla
Fahmi Beik Street
Midan Falastine, Al Hindi Building
Third Floor, Gaza City
Mobile: 0599 204 245-Tel: 08-2824878;08-2820839

Saturday – Thursday 03:00 to 07:00 p.m.
(with appointment)

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